

City of Winsted
City Council Work Session
Lewis Room
June 15, 2010
5:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Steve Stotko
Council Member Dave Mochinski
Council Member Tom Ollig
Council Member Bonnie Quast
Council Member Tom Wiemiller

Staff Present: Deb Boelter, City Clerk-Treasurer
Amanda Zeidler, Utility Billing & Payroll Clerk

I. Call to Order

Mayor Stotko called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

II. McLeod County Road 116 Turnback Project – Sidewalks

Jake Saulsbury, Project Engineer for Bolton and Menk, Incorporated, offered considerations for design revisions for the McLeod County Road 116 Turnback Project.

III. Luce Line Trail Signage Sponsorship

Boelter informed the City Council that there are two sponsorships available for the Luce Line Trail Signage Project. The City of Winsted Park Commission asked if the city could provide one of the sponsorships. The Council agreed to provide one sponsorship if it cannot be sold to a local business.

IV. Computer – Utility Billing Clerk

The City Council discussed the purchase of a laptop computer for the Utility Billing and Payroll Clerk. The Council agreed to add this item to the consent agenda at the Regular Council Meeting on June 15, 2010.

V. Ordinance Amendments

Boelter gave information regarding amendments to the Liquor Ordinance, Animal Control Ordinance, and the Blight Ordinance.

VI. Sludge Storage Pond Leaking

Saulsbury gave an update regarding the leak in the Sludge Storage Pond.

VII. Cable Fund – “WHAT UP” Equipment Funding

Boelter stated that the video equipment that “WHAT UP” has requested can be paid out of the Cable Fund, once the 2009 Audit is completed.

VIII. Public Works – Culligan Water System

The City Council discussed discontinuing service with Culligan of Buffalo for the Public Works building. After some deliberation, the Council agreed to continue the service.

IX. Other

a) American Legion - Concession Stand at Barrett Park

The Winsted American Legion has inquired about a Concession Stand at Barrett Park, to sell food and snacks during games at the park. Boelter informed the City Council that the city would need to enter into an agreement with the Winsted American Legion and express which items will be sold at the concession stand. Councilmember Ollig stated that he will speak with a member of the Winsted American Legion regarding this request.

b) 404 Westgate Drive – Blight Issues

Patty Heller, 408 Westgate Drive, contacted the city to make a blight complaint against 404 Westgate Drive. Boelter stated that the city has mailed a blight letter to the property owner and the city cannot act until the notice has expired.

c) Five Star Direct

Boelter stated that Five Star Direct has approached the city regarding a parcel split and would like to give a portion of the parcel to the City of Winsted in lieu of repayment of the balance of the loan with the city.

d) Greg Gehrman

Boelter gave an update regarding an insurance claim filed by Greg Gehrman at 161 Main Avenue West. Boelter stated that Gehrman would like to be on the agenda for the Regular Council Meeting on July 6, 2010.

e) Winsted Municipal Airport – Environmental Assessment

Marcus Watson, Airport Specialist for Bolton and Menk, Incorporated, gave a brief overview of the Environmental Assessment for Runway 9-27 at the Winsted Municipal Airport.

f) Mill Reserve Park Picnic Shelter

The City Council discussed electrical issues at the Mill Reserve Park Picnic Shelter. The Council directed Councilmember Wiemiller to get a quote from C.R. Electric to do the repairs.

X. Adjourn

Quast motioned to adjourn. Mochinski seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Amanda J. Zeidler
Utility Billing & Payroll Clerk